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Harmony Baptist Association met with New Providence church at 10 o'clock a. m. Friday, Oct. 22, 1909, and was called to order by the Moderator who read the 8th division of Psalms, prayer by Rev. H. M. Whitten.

Brother J. G. Gilmore and J. B. Johnson were appointed as reading clerks.

J. W. Dorrill, J. L. Fletcher and M. O. Wright were appointed on Finance committee. The following named were enrolled as delegates from their respective churches:

Cross Roads—J. A. Trest, S. J. Johnson.

Friendship—J. W. W. Lyle, W. W. White, S. A. Moore, D. Maroney, H. A. Stovall, J. M. Porter, T. G. Ward.

Midway—S. D. Jackson, J. W. Mays.

Good Hope (M)—C. D. Mitchel, E. H. Brown, J. W. McDaniel, J. H. Mitchel, J. R. Sherard.

Cedar Grove—J. L. Fletcher.

Good Hope (L)—G. W. Nutt, J. H. Trest, J. D. Tucker, W. R. Clay.

Pleasant Grove—J. M. Gaines, Matthew Ivy, G. M. Hughes.

Thomastown—S. A. Myrick, B. C. Blailack, S. L. Stanton, T. H. Gober.

Standing Pine—E. W. Barnett, M. O. Wright.

Stump Bridge—C. E. Coleman, William Golf.

Hebron—O. B. Thornton.

Salem—J. B. Roberts, B. E. Philips, J. N. Dorrill, J. K. Phillips.

New Hope—J. M. Barnett, Rufus Grimes.
 Lotville—L. P. Smith, Dr. J. F. Normall.
 Springfield—Floyd Kirksey, F. M. Savil.
 Plymouth—Eugene Massey, Eugene Risher.
 Mt. Zion.—J. L. Owens, J. L. Bradley, W. T. Thom-
 as, G. E. Gunter.
 Laurel Hill—Robt. Bell, G. W. Sikes.
 Tuscola—J. M. Mullican, Bruce Lindsay, Joe Denson.
 Mt. Zion (Choc.)—S. W. Stokby.
 Center Hill—M. D. Allen, M. H. Allen, J. B. Fulton,
 J. T. Parker.
 Freeny—P. C. Barnett, R. G. Joiner.
 Mt. Carmel—Y. A. Ward, Joe McCorkle.
 Walnut Grove—J. L. Parker, B. W. Ferguson, J. B.
 Johnson.
 Damascus—P. H. Rushing, C. A. Byrum.
 Wake Forest—A. L. Young, T. J. Ellington.
 Carthage—J. H. Hutchins, M. M. Keith, N. L.
 Gross.
 Rocky Point—W. P. Dorrill, G. N. Dorrill, H. E.
 Lowe, H. S. Evans, Lewis Cook, W. H. Dabbs, W. H.
 Lee.
 Hopewell—J. W. Rutherford, Brother Lacy.
 New Providence—J. D. Gross, S. W. Wagoner.
 Hopewell, (Choc.)—Robt. Comby.
 Bethel—J. G. Henry.
 New Union—J. D. Wooten, B. O. Evans.
 Hope, (Choc.)—Willis Farmer, Tom Farmer.
 Shady Grove—B. F. Odom, T. W. Wilkerson.
 Pleasant Hill—John Taylor, Luther Williams.
 Bethany (Choc.)—Silmon Belle.

Election of officers: B. F. Odom and G. E. Gunter
 were appointed tellers. Result: A. M. Barnett was elect-
 ed Moderator, S. A. Moore, Clerk.

Committee on digest of letters: H. A. Stovall, Joe McCorkle, T. H. Gober.

The hour having arrived for the introductory sermon by J. G. Gilmore. A motion by Brother Gilmore prevailed that instead of the introductory sermon the hour be given to S. B. Culpepper, who preached on the subject of Christian education, after which the body took recess until 1:30 p. m.

Afternoon Session.

Reconvened by singing, Prayer by T. W. Wilkerson. Moderator called for correspondence and the following named brethren were enrolled:

Convention Board, Dr. A. Rowe.

Baptist Record—T. J. Bailey.

Kosciusko Association—H. M. Whitten.

Baptist Orphanage—T. J. Bailey.

Hopewell Association—W. S. Blackman.

Under the head of unfinished business, on motion Shady Grove church was received into the fellowship of this body.

By unanimous vote the business of the body was turned over to the Moderator.

Moderator appointed the following named brethren committee on religious exercises: O. B. Thornton, W. W. White, with pastor and deacons of this church.

Report on State Missions read by G. N. Dorrill.

Discussion on motion to adopt the above report deferred till 10:30 tomorrow, and Dr. Bailey was invited to address the body in the interst of the Baptist Record.

Report on Ministerial education and Mississippi College, read by Dr. J. W. W. Lyle.

Motion to adopt, discussed by Dr. Lyle, Dr. A. V.

Rowe, Dr. Bailey, G. W. Nutt and adopted.

Mississippi College and Ministerial Education.

We, your committee make the following report: Mississippi College enrolled 337 students last session as against 460 the session before. With 61 ministerial students against 62 the year before.

Up to the end of the 2nd week this session 333 had been enrolled and still coming in. This is about 25 more than at the same time last year. A splendid body of young men so we are informed.

The College is doing a great work in preparing young men for their life, especially young ministers and should have our support.

While preachers cannot be made by education, they can be wonderfully improved. A man called of God, sanctified to the work of preaching the Word can preach whether he has an education or not. But give him a thorough education and training, he can preach the Word so much plainer, with so much more force. Yet with simplicity, he can reach more people and therefore be instrumental in saving more souls to the honor and glory of God.

Respectfully,

DR. J. W. W. LYLE.

After the assignment of delegates and visitors to homes by the committee on entertainment, the body adjourned till 9 a. m. to-morrow.

Second Day---Morning Session.

After singing and prayer, the body was called to order by the Moderator, who appointed L. A. McKey, Dr. J. W. W. Lyle, O. B. Thornton committee on queries and requests.

Report on Orphanage read by S. C. Eastham, J. G. Gilmore and Dr. T. J. Bailey, and adopted.

Orphanage.

The Mississippi Baptist Orphanage at Jackson, Mississippi is an Institution belonging to the Baptist of Mississippi; and supported wholly by voluntary contributions. The object of its establishment and maintenance is, to furnish a home, nurture, and training for the homeless and helpless children. It has been a successful operation for twelve years. During this time it has passed through trials and struggles incident to institutions of this kind, but through them all it has been upheld by a liberal, loyal, and loving people, who have been cheerful and generous in its support.

We have accumulated property "in houses and lands" to the amount of \$100,000. We are prepared, by crowding, to care for 200 children. We have in our home at present 181, with several outstanding applications.

Since its establishment nearly 400 children have been in our home for a longer or shorter time, and have received its benefits to a greater or less degree.

It is the purpose of the home to train these children in the practical art of home making and home keeping to such a degree that they will make citizens, and independent bread winners.

Those to whom the management of our home is committed are doing faithful work in the matter of training the children for usefulness, and are so directing their labor, that the children themselves are contributing largely to their own support.

The demands upon our home are daily increasing, and if we meet them we shall have to build at once, as the room we now have is nearly all taken.

We have enlarged our dining room and chapel this summer, but we are sadly in need of more bed room, and school room.

Let our people rally to our home with their money, and with their prayers, and thus constantly increase its usefulness.

S. C. EASTHAM.

Collection for Orphanage taken. Amount collected, \$16.11.

Report on Woman's work read by Rushing. Discussed by Dr. A. V. Rowe and adopted.

Woman's Work.

We find that God made man for a grand and glorious purpose, and He saw that it was not good for him to be alone, so He made a woman and gave to him to be a helpmeet for him in showing the joy and blessings and privileges of life and to help him bear the burdens and toils and sorrows of life, we see they are to be one. Co-workers and co-laborers together in a general way in order to enjoy happiness and prosperity. Surely they ought to be agreed. The mission of the women of the world is a grand one indeed. To them are the children of this world committed, and Oh, how important it is that they perform well their mission in rearing their children and training them up in the way they should go, bringing them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord. But alas we find this God given mission badly neglected in many homes by both men and women.

Again what a grand opportunity do they have to do a grand mission, work in their own home and with their neighbors and in Sabbath schools and their own churches, by leading their children and others by precept and exam-

ple to the Lamb of God that taketh away the sin of the world, who came to seek and save the lost. The women should never lose this opportunity to do mission work for the Lord at home. The better the work at home the stronger the force abroad.

We find that the women were helpers in the days of the Apostles record in Acts 18-24-28, both in service and missions work, advancing the kingdom of our Lord and they were also recommended by Paul to the churches at Rome (Rom. 16, 1 to 6. They were helpers to Him and rendered gaeat in first giving the gospel to the Gentile world. The sisters have been helpers all along and have been part of the church of Christ. Hence the commission to preach the gospel to every creature and to all nations is binding upon them as helpers and they are doing a great work in giving the gospel to all nations today, and I want to say "God bless the sweet spirited women of onr churches."

They can get deeper into the pockets and purses of their men than any other creature of earth and they ought to press forward in this work of the Master.

They are doing great work in caring for the Orphan's home, the Old Ladies home, and various other causes. They are helpers in every good word and work.

The sisters have contributed this conventional year for Foreign Missions in cash, \$96,641.24.

Total cash subscriptions this year by them for all purposes, \$172,764, and in addition the union reports, \$24,379. as the value of boxes sent to the Home missionaries and mountain schools. This brings up the grand total of all offerings to \$197,143.63.

Margaret Home at Greenville, S. C., and the training school for women missionaries at Louisville, Ky., is not included here.

Respectfully Submitted,

P. H. RUSHING.

On motion Mrs. L. F. Ferguson, of Lena, was elected vice president of woman's work from this Association.

Report on Sustentation read by G. W. Nutt. Further discussion of the reports on missions had arrived.

Report On Sustentation.

We, your committee on Sustentation would say that we are glad to note a growing interest in this noble work of our people in caring for our worn out preachers. We have seventeen on this list and they are receiving aid from Brother Rowe, who has charge of this fund.

Two have died this year. There has been \$2,200 paid out for this cause. This conventional year \$1,600 has been paid into this fund. There is also an endowment fund consisting of \$100 of which the interest only is used. Brethren let every pastor in our Association take a collection for this worthy cause.

These pioneer preachers have sacrificed their lives on the altar of service for the cause of Christ, and we ought to appreciate them and care for them in their last days.

G. W. NUTT.

Report on State Missions.

Report on State Missions, Read by G. N. Dorrill.

Missions signify being sent to propagate the gospel. He who has knowledge that is essential to his fellowman is under obligation to convey that knowledge to them. It makes no difference who those men are or where they live, or whether they are conscious of their need, or how much inconvenience or expense he may incur in reaching them. This is the spirit of the great missionary from state to world-wide. No one can read the New Testament without seeing that the evangelization of the world was the supreme thought of Christ. Since the salvation of men is Christ's supreme thought it should be ours. How is it possible for one who proposes to follow Christ, not to be-

lieve in missions, when missions are simply the organized efforts to carry out the will of the Master. It has been truthfully said that State Missions is the foundation works, and he who helps State Missions, helps every good cause dear to the heart of our Lord. This is the highest type of patriotism and Christianity, also to supply our own people with the gospel, and we should prove our faith by our works.

There are the greatest reasons why we should support State Missions. The new improvements on all lines, new lines of railroad, new territory, new settlements, new towns with people of every nationality, and also our own people constantly growing up, and all must have the gospel.

The spiritual interest of Mississippi must keep pace with material prosperity, and to do this requires an aggressive State Mission policy.

To fail in this regard is to turn over the cause of evangelization to other people, and we always suffer loss when we are not first on the field to advocate our cause, and for the lack of funds we have had to turn a deaf ear to the pleas of many. In this cause we are laborers together for a truer patriotism, a better citizenship, a higher morality, better homes all for our own and the blessed thought is we are laborers together for God. So let us help with our influence, our prayers and our money.

We are glad to see the steady growth on most all lines of State Missions. But yet we are not supplying the demand. Let us, one and all rally more fully to the support of State Missions.

Respectfully Submitted,
G. N. DORRIL.

Report on Foreign Missions read by T. G. Ward.

Report On Foreign Missions.

In beginning any mission work in foreign lands, it is necessary first to preach the gospel to the people, so that they may know of God and His revealed truth. This is a slow work, and it can only be done by patient toiling with men while waiting on God. By and by some converts are won. These are baptized and then the question of teaching them to observe all things which Christ has commended, must be considered. In the commission of Christ there are three steps—preaching, leading the convert to an open confession, and then leading them into service for the Master. Some people have wrong ideas about the commission of our Lord. They seem to think that all we have to do is simply to preach the gospel. There are others who seem to think that our whole duty is to preach the gospel and baptize converts, but the plain teaching of Christ is to preach, to baptize, and to teach. Our churches in foreign lands, which number several hundred with their thousands of converts need teaching in order that they may be strengthened and developed. To this end the Board has been trying to help them.

It has been no small matter to start a number of schools, conduct Bible Institutes, and open up eight Theological Seminaries. Surely our Lord made no mistake when He gave much of His time to training the twelve apostles. He had a short ministry of only three years, but He trained a number of men who had been brought in close touch with Him who were to take up the work and carry it on. Perhaps Dr. Graves and Dr. Hartwell have done no better work in their long service in the foreign fields than in these latter years, when they have been training men to carry the work of the Lord. In a few years the many trained men who will go out from our schools and seminaries will be a mighty power in our mission fields and we

look then for reports which will not speak of a few hundred or a few thousand converts, but in which thousands upon thousands will yearly be reported as turning to the Lord.

Our hospitals are opening the hearts of the people as never before, and are creating a sentiment in favor of the Christian missionaries. Last year 42,659 were treated by our medical force in foreign lands. Our printing plants are disseminating God's Holy Truth, and are breaking down prejudice. Let no one feel that we are waisting funds by building up these aids to the work of the Lord.

The great work we know is to preach the gospel, but to preach it in such a way that men will give their lives to Christ. It is time and means well invested when we train men to work for Christ in order to win the millions of others around them. If we simply proclaim the truth without teaching and training for faithful service we have failed to do what our Lord has commended us. According to statistics the Southern states and foreign fields have raised this past year for Foreign Missions \$460,797.62. Of this amount Mississippi contributed \$31,634.65. The expenditures have been \$482,720.24, leaving a debt of \$31,706.25.

Our God has graciously blessed us during the year in the work which we have been doing for Him and in presenting our annual report we gratefully acknowledge His manifold mercies and continued blessings. The past year has been the best that we have ever had in the number of converts on the foreign field. As can be seen from the statistical table, we have had 2,905 baptisms in our various Missions. When we remember that in 1893 we had been working forty-eight years, we had only 2,923 enrolled in our churches on the mission fields, and now have 2,905 baptisms in one year. We surely should praise God and take courage.

T. G. WARD.

Report on Home Missions read by J. G. Gilmore.

Report On Home Missions.

The Home Mission Board is a creature of the Southern Baptist Convention, and for convenience and efficiency sake was organized to have charge of all the territory of the Convention that came under their direction. The Home Mission Board is 64 years old. It has to its credit churches organized 5,917; persons baptized, 188,000.

The receipts of the Home Mission Board for 1909, \$302,864.74, an increase over 1908 of \$37,529.15. Harmony Associations contributed of this amount 1909 the sum of \$225.86, an increase of \$1,074. The number of persons baptized in 1909 by Home Mission servants was 24,628. Received by letter 22,669. The nice total added to the churches of the Convention last year being 47,297.

The present work of the Board is the general work in the Southern states. The work among the negroes, the special department of Evangelism, the work in Cuba, the work in Panama, the Mountain School work, Port Missionary work and Fronteen Missionary work.

HOME MISSION LITERATURE.

Our Home Field Journal is the best and cheapest way that our people can inform themselves on the subject of Home Missions and your committee recommends that the pastors endeavor to get more of our people to subscribe for the magazine. In addition the Board carries a very large supply of tracts for free distribution. We would recommend that the pastors use them freely; they cost nothing but the asking.

CONCLUSION:

On every hand the work has been blessed. The receipts are above anything ever before recorded. But the

blessings of God on the past achievements should only inspire us to greater endeavor, we are indeed in the open field of opportunity. Let us rise up in the strength of our God and take our Southland for Christ.

The committee recommends that each church endeavor to increase her contributions at least 10 per cent. over this present year's work. (Signed Committee.)

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On motion the time was given to Dr. A. V. Rowe for discussion of the three reports, Foreign, Home and State Missions who occupied the time and spoke very forcibly and effectually for about one hour.

Reports adopted by adding the appointment of an apportionment of an apportionment committee of five to raise \$300 for Home Missions; \$400 for Foreign Missions and \$350 for State Missions for the ensuing year.

We, your Committee appointed to prorate the amounts of missions to be paid by the different churches asks that the churches try to raise the amounts stated below, of course these amounts are merely recommended, and are so prorated that the amounts that were suggested to be raised by the Association may be paid in.

We suggest that the churches give as follows, to-wit:

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Bethany Choctaw,	\$ 1.00	\$ 1.00	\$ 1.00
Bethel	4.00	10.00	5.00
Camden	6.00	18.00	10.00
Carthage	12.00	20.00	18.00
Cedar Grove	3.00	6.00	4.00
Center Hill	4.00	10.00	7.00
Cross Roads	5.00	15.00	3.00
Damascus	1.00	2.00	3.00.
Friendship	75.00	75.00	75.00

Freenev	8.00	8.00	8.00
Good Hope, Leake	18.00	15.00	26.00
Good Hope, Madison	5.00	20.00	2.00
Hebron	1.00	2.00	3.00
Hopewell	1.00	2.00	3.00
Hopewell, Choctaw	2.00	2.00	3.00
Laurel Hill	1.00	3.00	3.00
Lottville	1.00	2.00	3.00
Mt. Carmel	20.00	20.00	20.00
Midway	1.00	1.00	1.00
Mt. Zion	35.00	15.00	27.00
Mt. Zion, Choctaw	1.00	1.00	1.00
New Union	1.00	2.00	3.00
New Hope	7.00	7.00	7.00
New Providence	10.00	20.00	25.00
Pleasant Hill	5.00	5.00	5.00
Pleasant Grove	3.00	8.00	4.00
Plymouth	2.00	2.00	3.00
Rocky Point	5.00	5.00	5.00
Salem	5.00	5.00	5.00
Standing Pine	18.00	17.00	27.00
Stumpbridge	7.00	2.00	3.00
Tuscola	10.00	7.00	3.00
Thomastown	15.00	30.00	45.00
Wake Forest	1.00	1.00	3.00
Walnut Grove	30.00	33.00	30.00
Midway	1.00	1.00	3.00
Hope Choctaw	1.00	1.00	3.00
Springfield	1.00	1.00	3.00

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Midway	1.00	1.00	1.00
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Mt. Zion, Choctaw	1.00	1.00	1.00
New Union	1.00	2.00	3.00
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Committee.

On motion the body was called from labor to refreshments until 1:30 p. m.

Second Day---Afternoon Session.

Called together by singing, prayer by Dr. T. J. Baily. Discussion on Sustentation resumed by Dr. A. V. Rowe et. al. and adopted.

Report on publications read by W. P. Dorrill.

Motion to adopt discussed by H. M. Whitten, G. W. Nutt, Dr. Rowe, Dr. Baily, H. A. Stovall and adopted.

Report On Publications.

Publications stand for good or evil. Books, papers and magazines are teachers whose influence is for the good of the home of society and of the country, or with their pernicious influences tend to the degradation of the home, of society and of the country. Hence the great importance of acting wisely in the selection of reading matter for the family. But of all the books, however great or gifted their author, however sublime and ennobling their subject matter, however great their achievements and correct their rule of life, and however great the rewards may be that are gained by following their instruction, God's Book, the Holy Bible, is the greatest, and claims our first attention, because it brings to us the divine will, it is the book of books. We should not read it as a common book, but should read it as the book of God, and not as the book of man. I wish to emphasize the importance of reading it daily and studying it prayerfully by the masses of the people. Yes, read it as God's book. I desire here and now to record my name as one that firmly believes in the verbal inspiration of the Bible.

OUR PERIODICALS.

There is the "Baptist Record" of Jackson, Miss., and the "Mississippi Baptist" of Newton, Miss., both excellent

papers and both stand for the unifying of the Baptist brotherhood, each in its own territory of the state, also for the development of our people along all lines of work, fostered by us. Then we have the Foreign Mission Journal, the Homefield, the Orphanage Gem, and our own Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn., all of which we heartily recommend as worthy of our patronage.

Respectfully Submitted,

W. P. DORRILL, Chairman

Report on Prohibition read by H. A. Stovall, discussed by H. A. Stovall, G. M. Hughes, J. G. Gilmore et. al. and adopted.

Report On Prohibition.

The progress that prohibition is making in the United States is most gratifying to all lovers of soberness and thrift. Legislation is not sufficient. All parents should teach their children the virtue of soberness and the sanctity of law. Every Christian should be an ardent prohibitionist, not only by precept, but by example.

May God hasten the day when every Christian will be a te-to-tal-er.

H. A. STOVALL.

Report on digest of letters read by H. A. Stovall.

Digest of Letters.

Number of churches reported	37
Value of church property	\$12,000.00
Increase in membership	178
Decrease in membership	143
Total increase	35
Total membership	2,109
Building and repair of churches	\$1,773.98
Pastors salary	\$1,722.22

Ministerial help.....	\$345.10
Missions.....	\$664.48
Orphanage.....	\$102.51
Sunday School expenses.....	\$65.54
Ministerial relief.....	\$11.00
Incidentals.....	\$178.05
Number of Sunday Schools.....	16
Sunday School contributions to missions.....	\$17.42
Other objects.....	54

H. A. STOVALL.

Report on Nominations read by R. G. Joiner.

Report On Nominations.

We recommend that Brother P. C. Barnett be appointed to preach the introductory sermon with Brother B. F. Odom as alternate. We recommend that the executive board south side meet with Laurel Hill in January.

We recommend that the executive board, north side meet with New Union church in January.

We recommend one brother from each church with the additional members appointed by the church to constitute the executive board of next year to-wit:

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 Tuscola—Joe Denson.
 Wake Forest—A. L. Young.
 Stump Bridge—W. Goff.
 Center Hill—M. D. Allen.
 Lotville—L. P. Smith.
 New Union—J. D. Wooten.
 Standing Pine—O. H. Barnett.
 Plymouth—E. N. Risher.
 Pleasant Hill—J. N. Langston.
 Carthage—J. H. Hutchins.
 Springfield—F. M. Savil.
 Mt. Zion—Jodie Moore.
 Rocky Point—Lewis Cook.
 Friendship—Dr. J. W. W. Lyle.
 Hopewell—John Fisher.
 Midway—J. D. Jackson.
 New Providence—J. D. Gross.
 Hebron—O. B. Thornton.
 Bethel—B. F. Pairemore.
 Shady Grove—S. J. Russell.

Respectfully submitted,

R. J. JOINER.

Report of Historical Committee.

W. P. Dorrill, chairman of the above committee reported that he had secured all data and statistics possible for the history of the association which he turned over with the history he had written to the association.

On motion a committee of three consisting of M. M. Keith, J. L. McMillon; E. W. Barnett was appointed to take charge of the manuscript and have same published and paid for by the Association.

G. W. Nutt was elected delegate to the Southern Baptist Convention; G. W. Dorrill; alternate.

Report On Obituaries.

Since our last meeting it has pleased our great Lord to take unto Himself a goodly number of our brothers and sisters.

Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints. They rest from their labors in their heavenly home. We should realize that our time on earth is of but few days and should work the more earnestly for the Master while we sojourn here. Following are the names of the dead reported since our last meeting:

Sister Susan Arthur.
 Sister Augusta Joiner.
 Brother W. T. Parks.
 Brother Asa Parker.
 Brother L. M. Wood.
 Sister Addie Ellison.
 Brother Sam Odom.
 Brother G. W. Moore.
 Sister Ellen Ramsey.
 Sister Julie Sam (Choctaw).
 Sister Ide Millener.
 Sister Mary Walton.
 Sister Amanda Thomas.
 Sister Lou Canthen.
 Brother G. W. Horton.
 Brother J. H. Carpenter.

Brother Charley Mooney.
 Sister Barbara Ward.
 Sister Ellen Turner.
 Sister Lizzie Darby.
 Brother S. C. Wallace.
 Sister Flora Cantren.
 Brother H. B. Trest.
 Sister Martha Slay.

Respectfully submitted,
 S. A. MOORE.

Report on Querries and Requests read by L. A. McKee and adopted.

Report on Querries and Request.

We, your committee on queries and request find no queries.

Freeny ask for a supplement of \$40. Pleasant Grove, \$25; Wake Forest, \$25; Bethel, \$15 and Springfield ask for \$50 for building purposes. Mt. Zion, Friendship, Lottville, Tuscola, New Union and Springfield ask for the next meeting of the Association.

DR. J. W. W. LYLE.
 O. B. THORNTON.
 L. A. MCKEE

Friendship church at Lena was chosen as the place for the next annual meeting of the Association.

On motion the following named brethren were elected delegates to the State Convention; T. G. Ward, J. G. Gilmore, R. J. Joiner, P. C. Barnett; N. F. Wallace, G. W. Nutt, B. E. Philips, J. D. Roberts.

Resolved, That the expenses of our delegates to the S. B. C. be paid out of the associational fund and that the

clerk be allowed \$20 for his service.

Committee on devotional exercises reported that Brother H. M. Whitten preach to-night at 7:30 and Dr. A. V. Rowe preach to-morrow at 11 A. M.

On motion the clerk was requested to publish the Articles of Faith and church covenant in the minutes.

Report of the Executive Board---South.

The executive Board south of Pearl river met in January at Tuscola. Discussed the questions on the programme as they came up, and had a two days meeting in very cold weather, but with a great deal of interest. At this meeting a subscription was taken to pay J. G. Gilmore to preach for a time in the Ofahoma neighborhood. During the year the board had a meeting at Standing Pine and one at New Hope. S. A. MOORE.

The above report was discussed by J. G. Gilmore and on motion the matter was referred to the executive committee as to the work at Ofahoma. On motion the body adjourned until 9:30 to-morrow.

Sunday 9:30 A. M.

After devotional exercises report on Sunday School was read by J. H. Trest and adopted.

Report of Sunday School.

The design of the Sunday School is to impart knowledge to its pupils pertaining to the Bible. The Book of all books, God's revealed will to man. Realizing its benefits, our Association has always urged its cause, and striven for its development.

Our churches are never better employed than when engaged in Sunday School work, and there is not any other

of our denominational agencies doing a work that is more vital fundamental and far-reaching than that done by our Sunday School Board under its various agents. Under the wise and efficient leadership of J. M. Frost, this board is doing an increasing amount of good. Its business is self-sustaining and increasing every year, and out of its business thousands of dollars are contributed annually to our denominational cause. Our last statistics show only 20 schools with an enrollment of 685 pupils. Your committee would therefore recommend that more thought and prayer and time and effort be given toward securing better Sunday School conditions. And the pastors take the lead and set the example in this good work. We would further recommend that you arrange to have our Sunday School Missionary to hold several institutes in the bounds of our Association during next year.

Therefore let us awake to the sense of our duty and obligations, as true Christians.

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. TREST.

Resolution.

Be it resolved that as a token of our appreciation of the faithful service of Brother W. P. Dorrill in the preparation of the history of this Association that the body donate to him the sum of \$20 to be paid out of the associational treasury. The business all being over the Sunday school exercises were conducted by N. F. Wallace.

Resolved, That the thanks of this body be tendered to this church and community for the amiable hospitality shown us both here and in their homes.

G. W. NUTT.

The hour for preaching having arrived Dr. A. V. Rowe was invited to the stand and preached from the 7th verse, 8th chapter of 2nd Cor., subject: "The Missing Grace," after which a collection for State missions was taken. Amount collected \$13.08.

On motion the body adjourned to meet with Friendship church at Lena Friday before the fourth Sunday in October 1910.

DR. A. M. BARNETT, Moderator.

S. A. MOORE, Clerk.

Executive Committee.

N. F. Wallace, Dr. J. W. W. Lyle, J. W. Dorrill, E. W. Barnett, M. M. Keith.

Committees for 1910.

Foreign Missions—J. G. Gilmore.
 Home Missions—T. J. Ward.
 State Missions—G. W. Nutt.
 Publication—G. W. Dorrill.
 Prohibition—P. C. Barnett.
 Ministerial Education—W. O. Owens.
 Sunday Schools—W. P. Dorrill.
 Woman's Works—S. C. Eastham.
 Orphanage—R. G. Joiner.
 Nominations—P. H. Rushing.
 Sustentation—B. E. Philips.
 Obituaries—Dr. J. W. W. Lyle.

Notification.

This is to notify the Harmony Association that at our next annual meeting I will offer a resolution to do away with the reading of church letters and go back to our for

warded:

State Missions.....	\$134.92
Home Missions	201.76
Foreign Missions.....	279.73
Orphanage.....	100.91
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Total forwarded.....	\$717.32
Cash	222.81
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Grand Total.....	\$940.13

Respectfully,

J. N. DORRILL,

T. L. FLETCHER,

W. M. O. WRIGHT.

ORDAINED MINISTERS.

P. C. Barnett.....	Carthage	8
R. G. Joiner.....	Carthage	
W. P. Dorrill.....	Dossville	5
G. N. Dorrill.....	Dossville	
R. C. Barham.....	Carthage	
B. H. Weems.....	Harperville	
J. G. Gilmore.....	Lena	4
T. G. Ward.....	Lena	
F. M. Zanier.....	Dossville	
J. B. Anderson.....	Carthage	
Willie Jimmy (Choc.).....	Philadelphia	
Allen Willis (Choc).....	Conway	
P. H. Rushing.....	Carthage	
Scott York (Choc.).....	Carthage	
W. O. Owens.....	Walnut Grove	
A. M. Barnett.....	Carthage	
W. W. Crow.....	Dossville	

R. C. Barham.....	Madden
S. C. Eastham.....	Edinburg
G. W. Nutt.....	Lena

Licensed Preachers.

W. T. Weir.....	Carthage
J. M. Gaines.....	Dossville
C. C. Anderson.....	Lena
B. E. Phillips.....	Mary Dell

STATISTICAL

CHURCHES

PASTORS

CLERKS

Midway	S. C. Eastman, Edinburg	I. Jackson, Edinburg
Bethany (Choc)	Willie Jimmie, Philadelp'a	Sifimon Bell, Philad
Bethel	S. C. Eastman, Edinburg	J. G. Henry, Dossvi
Camden		N. F. Wallace, Cart
Carthage		J. A. Watkins, Len
Cedar Grove	T. G. Ward, Lena	J. D. Pope, Conway
Center Hill	G. N. Dorrill, Dossville	Horace Anderson,
Cross Roads	J. G. Gilmore, Lena	C. A. Byrum, Cart
Damascus	T. G. Ward, Lena	S. A. Moore, Beach
Friendship	W. B. Sansing, Forest	O. R. Jones, Cartha
Freeny	P. C. Barnett, Carthage	R. H. Wiggins, Le
Good Hope (L)	T. G. Ward, Lena	R. S. Barrett, Can
Good Hope (M)	G. W. Nutt, Lena	O. B. Thornton, C
Hebron	R. G. Joiner, Carthage	Jno. Fisher, Bolatu
Hopewell	G. N. Dorrill, Dossville	Robt. Comby, Este
Hopewell(Choc)	Allen Willis, Conway	Willis Farmer, Phi
Hope (Choc)	Willie Jimmie, Philadelp'a	J. M. Sikes, Wald
Laurel Hill	R. G. Joiner, Carthage	B. F. Leggett, Lo
Lottville	R. G. Joiner, Carthage	Y. A. Ward, Edinb
Mt. Carmel	A. M. Barnett, Carthage	G. E. Gunter, Ma
Mt. Zion	A. M. Barnett, Carthage	S. W. Stoliby, Cor
Mt. Zion(Choc)	Scott York, Walnut Grove	B. E. Kemp, Dos
New Union	R. G. Joiner, Carthage	Floyd Young, Est
New Hope	N. S. Ford, Harperville	J. D. Gross, Conw
New Providence	T. G. Ward, Lena	J. F. Ruienalt, L
Pleasant Hill	J. G. Gilmore, Lena	Byrum Davis, Dos
Pleasant Grove	G. N. Dorrill, Dossville	E. N. Risher, Car
Plymouth	R. C. Barham, Madden	Wm. Davis, Doss
Rocky Point	G. N. Dorrill, Dossville	J. N. Dorrill, Edi
Salem	J. T. McGee, Center	E. W. Barnett, C
Standing Pine	A. M. Barnett, Carthage	Eunice Callahan,
Springfield	R. C. Barham, Carthage	A. B. Coleman, C
Stump Bridge	S. G. Cooper, Canton	Bruce Lindsay, H
Tuscola	G. W. Nutt, Lena	S. L. Stanton, B
Thomastown	H. M. Whitten, Kosciusko	A. L. Young, Ko
Wake Forest	J. N. Dorrill, Dossville	J. L. Parker, Wal
Walnut Grove	A. M. Barnett, Carthage	
Shady Grove		

STATISTICAL TABLE.

CLERKS	Time of Meeting	Increased			Decreased			Total Member-ship	Minutes Wanted
		Baptized	By Letter	Restoration	Letter	Excluded	Dead		
Jackson, Edinburg.....		4	3					1 19	10
Mon Bell, Philadelphia								10	5
r. Henry, Dossville.....			1				2	36	20
.....						5		96	30
F. Wallace, Carthage...						2		50	12
A. Watkins, Lena.....		2				4		1 87	25
D. Pope, Conway.....		3				5	5	62	
Grace Anderson, Lena...		4	3			1	1	1 21	10
A. Byrum, Carthage...	3	2				1	1	1 211	75
A. Moore, Beach.....		23	6	3		7	1	2 32	15
R. Jones, Carthage.....		6	4			2	8	1 98	20
H. Wiggins, Lena.....						3	1	1 119	30
S. Barrett, Camden....						9	5	11	5
B. Thornton, Camden...							1	39	10
D. Fisher, Bolatusha....					1			14	8
bt. Comby, Estes Mill...					1		1	8	5
Illis Farmer, Philadelp'a			1					52	18
M. Sikes, Waldo.....			7	3				31	12
F. Leggett, Lottville...	3		4	1				47	15
A. Ward, Edinburg.....			5	1		8		120	30
E. Gunter, Madden....			2	2	1	2	3	20	10
W. Stoliby, Conway.....					1		2	41	20
E. Kemp, Dossville.....			1				11	68	12
oyd Young, Estes Mill...			4		1			46	20
D. Gross, Conway.....				2				53	12
F. Ruienalt, Lena.....						8		70	30
yrum Davis, Dossville...			12	6				1 21	10
N. Risher, Carthage....			5		3	8		4 147	35
m. Davis, Dossville....			8	8	3	3	1	3 102	25
N. Dorrell, Edinburg...			6	2	6			71	20
W. Barnett, Carthage...			3		1	7	1	23	12
unice Callahan, Carthage			5	12				1 26	8
A. B. Coleman, Canton...	2						1	66	12
Bruce Lindsay, Harperv'le						1	1	1 108	30
S. L. Stanton, Bolatusha...				1				2 28	10
A. L. Young, Kosciusko...				1				1 75	25
L. Parker, Walnut Grove						6		30	5

FINANCIAL TABLE

CHURCHES	Amount sent up by Messengers							Amount Forwarded			
	Associational Purposes	Associational Missions	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Orphanage	Total sent by messengers	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	
Bethany (Choc)	\$ 75		50	25	50		2 00				
Bethel	1 20			4 30			5 50	5 00			
Camden											
Carthage	4 00				11 00		15 00			11 00	
Cedar Grove	1 35		4 00				5 35		3 60	4 00	
Center Hill	2 55					3 00	5 55	3 00	3 00	5 05	
Cross Roads	3 25		9 75				13 00	9 75	8 50	13 20	1
Damascus	1 00		7 00				8 00		1 00	1 00	
Friendship	7 50						7 50	12 42	50 00	50 00	
Freeny	2 00						2 00	5 00	3 50	6 00	
Good Hope (L)	5 00		7 15				12 15		15 05	18 50	
Good Hope (M)	3 00		10 00	6 00	6 00		25 00		6 50	4 40	
Hebron	2 00		1 00				3 00				
Hopewell	1 00		3 10				4 10	3 10			
Hopewell(Choc)	1 00		1 00	1 00	1 60	50	5 10				
Laurel Hill	2 35		1 00				3 35		1 45		
Lottville	2 30						2 30				
Mt. Carmel	4 00						4 00	18 75	21 30	22 50	1
Mt. Zion	3 50						3 50	9 40	12 28	14 33	
Mt Zion(Choc)	1 00	2 50	1 00	1 50			6 00				
New Union	2 65						2 65				
New Hope	1 00						1 00	1 05	1 00	1 55	
New Providence	2 70		10 00				12 70	10 00	3 55	3 00	
Pleasant Hill	1 85						1 85				
Pleasant Grove	2 00					2 00	4 00		4 30	5 00	
Plymouth	80		1 0	50	70		3 00				
Rocky Point	2 25		1 45			3 00	6 70	1 45	3 40	5 00	
Salem	2 50		2 45				4 95	2 40	1 95	1 75	1
Standing Pine	2 50						2 50	18 20	18 65	25 25	
Stump Bridge	2 05						2 05	3 40			
Tuscola	2 00		3 05				5 05		5 50	5 50	1
Thomastown	3 00			7 00			10 00		7 00	41 20	1
Wake Forest	85		2 00				2 85				
Walnut Grove	4 00						4 00	32 00	26 63	41 50	
Midway	1 00	1 75					2 75		3 60		
Hope (Choc)	50	50			50		1 50				
Springfield	1 20			2 55	2 00		5 76				
Shady Grove	1 00						1 00				
Total	32 60	4 75	65 45	23 10	22 30	8 50	206 70	134 94	201 76	279 73	10

Collected at Association for Orphanage \$16.11.

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Amount Forwarded

Home Mis- sions	Foreign Mis- sions	Orphanage ..	Total For- warded	Pastors sal- ary	Building and Repairing	Incidentals...	Visiting Min- isters	Sunday school exp's
			5 00	20 00			5 00	
				60 00			1 20	
	11 00		11 00		6 00	7 00	89 00	13 50
3 60	4 00	7 15	14 75					
3 00	5 05	3 00	14 05	102 85	500 00	2 50		
8 50	13 20	10 00	41 45	100 00	75 00	55 00	6 00	
1 00	1 00	2 00	4 00	25 00				
50 00	50 00		112 42	250 00	185 48	34 20	32 60	17 34
3 50	6 00		14 50	35 00		3 00		5 00
15 05	18 50	9 80	43 35	100 00			20 00	2 00
6 50	4 40	5 45	16 35	125 00			10 00	
			3 10	11 90			3 00	1 50
				30 65				1 00
1 45			1 45		200 50		4 50	
21 30	22 50	15 20	77 75					
12 28	14 33	5 26	41 27				15 00	
					16 00			
1 00	1 55		3 60				6 05	
3 55	3 00	3 00	19 55	100 00	300 00		25 00	
4 30	5 00		9 30	32 35				
					100 00		3 75	
3 40	5 00	3 00	12 85		43 50			
1 95	1 75	12 00	18 10					
18 65	25 25	8 40	70 50	100 00			20 25	7 00
			3 40	75 00				
5 50	5 50	11 00	11 00	100 00		5 00		2 00
7 00	41 20	10 00	58 20	150 00	107 00		24 00	
26 63	41 50	1 00	100 13	160 00	65 00	4 00	33 00	12 00
3 60		5 65	9 25	50 00		2 65	4 75	4 20
201 76	279 73	100 91	717	32 1627 75	1598 48	116 34	303 10	65 54

